

# THE EAST ANGLIAN:

OR

NOTES AND

ON SUBJECTS

WITH THE



QUERIES

CONNECTED

COUNTIES OF

## SUFFOLK, CAMBRIDGE, ESSEX, & NORFOLK.

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### NOTES.

A VISITATION OF THE MONUMENTAL HERALDRY OF SUFFOLK.—PART V.

#### XVI. *Ixworth.*

An altar tomb on the north side of the chancel, to Richard *Cuddington*, Esq., 1561, first temporal Lord of *Ixworth* Abbey, which Henry VIII gave him in exchange for his manor of *Nonsuch*, in the County of *Surrey*. Also Elizabeth his wife, daughter of Thomas *Buckenham*, Esq.

I. *Cuddington*, Gu. a cross Or., fretty Az.

II. *Cuddington*, imp. *Jenoure*, Or., on cross Az., 5 fleur-de-lys Or.

III. { 1, 4, *Buckenham*, Arg., lion ramp. Gu.

2, *Thelnetham*, Or., 2 bars Gu.

3, *Heath*, Arg., 3 torteaux, 2-1, on each a crosslet Or.

On the panels of the tomb the same shields are repeated in stone. There are several modern monuments to the family of *Boldero*, with these arms, per pale Or., Sab., a saltire counter-changed.

XVII. *Oakley.*

On an altar tomb to Sir William Cornwallis, knight : no date but c. 1600 :—

I. *Cornwallis*, Sab. guttée d'eau, on fess, Arg., three cornish choughs ppr. ; imp. *Cornwallis*.

II. *Cornwallis*, quarterly of eight.

- 1, *Cornwallis*.
- 2, *Buckton*, Sab., 3 bars gemmelles Arg., on canton Or., a crescent Gu.
- 3, *Braham*, Sab., a cross flory Or.
- 4, *Toye*, Arg., a bend between 6 crosslets fitchées Sab.
- 5, *Neville*, Gu., a saltire Arg.
- 6, *Tyrrell*, Arg., 2 chevrons Az., a border eng. Gu.
- 7, *Stanford*, Az., a chevron between 3 sea-pies Arg.
- 8, *Meautis*, Az., a unicorn salient Or.

On a flat stone to Thomas *D'Eye*, B.A., clerk, Rector of Palgrave, 1766. Or., on chief indented Az., 2 mullets pierced Arg. Crest, on a chapeau, a pair of wings displayed Or.

On a flat stone to Sarah, daughter of John *Cook*, of Rouzham, and wife of Edward *Betts*, Gent., of Oakley, 1745. Arms—*Betts*, Sab., on bend Arg., 3 cinquefoils Gu. border eng. Arg. ; imp. *Cook*, Arg., on a pile Az., 3 crescents 2-1 Arg.

XVIII. *Broome.*

On an altar tomb with effigies to John *Cornwallis*, Esq., 1544, and Maria his wife, daughter of Edward *Sulyard*, Esq., eleven shields, two of them are now blanks.

I. *Cornwallis*, quarterly of eight, with crest.

- 1, *Cornwallis*. 2, *Buckton*. 3, *Braham*. 4, *Toye*. 5, *Tyrrell*. 6, *Stanford*. 7, *Butler*, Sab., a chevron, between 3 covered cups Arg. 8, *Mapershall*, Sab., fretty Arg., on chief of second, a lion pass. guard. of the field.

II. *Cornwallis*, quarterly of eight, as above, impaling

- 1, 4, *Rokewood*, Arg., 6 chessrooks, 3-2-1, Sab.
- 2, 3, *Wichingham*, Erm., 2 annulets interlaced Sab., on a chief of last, 3 crosses patée Arg.

III. *Cornwallis*, quarterly of eight, impalement blank.

IV. *Cornwallis*, quarterly of eight, imp. *Jerningham* of 8.

- 1, *Jerningham*, Arg., 3 mascle buckles, 2-1 Gu.
- 2, *Ingoldsthorpe*, Gu., a cross eng. Arg.
- 3, *Fitz-osbert*, Gu., 3 bars gemmelles Or., canton Arg.
- 4, *Harling*, Arg., a unicorn salient, Sab.
- 5, *Mortimer*, or semé de lys Sab.
- 6, *Hawkesworth*, Arg., on chevron Sab., 3 escallops Or.
- 7, *Kelvedon*, Gu., a pall reversed Erm.
- 8, *Clyfton*, Sab., semé of 5 foils, a lion ramp. Arg.

- V. { 1, *Blenerhasset*, Gu., chevron Erm., between 3 dolphins Arg.  
 2, *Lowdham*, Arg., 3 inescutcheons 2-1 Sab.  
 3, *Orton*, Az., lion ramp. Arg., crowned Or.  
 4, *Kelvedon*, Gu., a pall reversed Erm., imp. *Cornwallis* of eight.

VI. *Kent*, Gu., 3 cinquefoils 2-1 Erm., imp. *Cornwallis* of eight.

VII. *Halse*, Arg., a fess between 3 griffins' heads coupé Sab.; imp. *Cornwallis* of 8.

VIII. A blank imp. *Cornwallis* of 8.

On a mural monument with kneeling effigy to one of the *Cornwallis* family, six shields.

1-2, Each *Cornwallis* of eight, imp. blank shields

3, A blank shield imp. *Cornwallis* of eight.

4, two coats per pale.

{ 1, *Stubbe*, Sab., on bend between 3 pheons Arg., 3 lozenge-shaped buckles of the field.

{ 2, ..... barry of 10 Arg. Sab., in chief a greyhound passant Sab., imp. *Cornwallis* of 8.

5, *Cornwallis* of eight, imp. *Rokewood* and *Wichingham*, quarterly as before.

6, *Cornwallis* of eight, imp.

{ 1-4, ..... Az., a chevron between 3 crosses Or.

{ 2-3, ..... Or., a saltire vert.

On an altar tomb with effigies to Sir Thomas *Cornwallis* and his lady, 1604:—

1, *Cornwallis*, of eight, imp. *Jerningham* of eight.

2, *Cornwallis*, of eight, imp. *Neville*, of 18.

1, *Neville*. 2, *Neville*, ancient. 3, *Beauchamp*. 4, *Warwick*. 5, *Berkeley*. 6, Gu., a lion pass. guard. Arg.

7, ..... Or, a fess between 2 chevrons Az.

8, ..... Arg., a chevron Gu.

9, *De Vere*.

10, ..... Az., lion ramp. Arg.

11, ..... Arg. 3 bars wavy Az.

12, *Baddlesmere*.

13, *Sergeaulx*.

14, *Howard*.

15, *Scales*.

16, *Stafford*, Or., chevron Gu. border eng. Az.

17, *Chazney*, Gu., 5 lozenges in fess Arg. on each an escallop Sab.

18, ..... per chevron Az., Arg. in chief, 3 leopard's faces Or.

3, *Cornwallis* of eight, imp. *Fincham*, barry of six Arg., Sab. and bend Erm.

- 4, *Cornwallis*, of eight, imp.
- 1-8 *Barrow of Westhorpe*, Sab., two swords in saltire Arg. hilts, &c. Or., between 4 fleur-de-lys Arg., a border of last.
  - 2, *Bures*, per chevron indented Az. Erm., in chief, 2 lions ramp. Or.
  - 3, ..... Arg., 2 pales Az., chief checky Gu. Arg.
  - 4, ..... Erm., a chevron Sab., between 3 roses Gu.
  - 5, ..... Az., 3 oak leaves 2-1 Or.
  - 6, ..... per bend wavy Arg. Sab.
  - 7, *Barrow of Winthorpe*, Sab., fess between 2 fleur-de-lys in chief, and a stag pass. in base, all Arg.
5. {
- 1, *Southwell*, Arg., 3 cinquefoils Gu. on each 5 annulets Or.
  - 2, *Wichingham*, Erm., 2 annulets Sab., on chief Sab. 3 crosses pateé Arg.
  - 3, *Falstoffs*, quarterly Or. Az., on bend Sab. 3 escallops Arg.
  - 4, *Tendring*, Az., a fess between 2 chevrons Arg.
  - 5, *Holbrook*, Gu., a chevron Or., between ten crosslets Arg.
  - 6, *Croftes*, Or., 3 bulls heads coupé, 2-1, Sab., imp. *Cornwallis* quarterly of eight.
6. {
- 1, *Bourchier*, Arg., cross eng. Gu., between 4 water-bougets Sab.
  - 2, *Lovein*, Gu., a fess between 15 billets Or. 5, 4, 3, 2, 1.
  - 3, *Fitz-warren*, quarterly per fess indented Arg. Gu.
  - 4, *Audley*, Gu., a fret Or.
  - 5, *Cogan*, Gu., 3 fig leaves 2-1 Arg.
  - 6, *Hankford*, Sab., chevron barry nebuly Arg. Gu.
  - 7, *Brewer*, Gu., 3 bendlets wavy Arg.
  - 8, *Martyn*, Arg., 2 bars Gu., on each 3 besants.
  - 9, *Dinham*, Gu., 4 lozenges in fess Erm.
  - 10, *Arches*, Gu., 3 arches 2-1 Arg., impaling *Cornwallis* of eight.
7. {
- 1, 4, *Kitson*, Sab., 3 lucies haurient Arg., a chief Or.
  - 2, 3, {
    - 1, 4, *Donnington*, paly of 6 Arg., Az. on chief Gu., 3 besants.
    - 2, 3, *Pye*, Arg., a chevron between 3 mullets Gu., imp. *Cornwallis* of eight.

On Monument to Frederick Baron Cornwallis, 1661. *Cornwallis* and crest, imp. dexter *Ashburnham*, Gu., a fess Arg., between 3 mullets Or., sinister, *Croftes*, Or., 3 bulls heads, 2-1 coupé Sab.

On Monument to Elizabeth, daughter of Sir Stephen Fox, knight, and wife of Charles Baron Cornwallis, 1680 *Cornwallis* imp. Fox, Erm. on chevron Az., 3 foxes heads erased Or., on canton Az. a fleur-de-lys Or.

On a flat stone to John Goldsmith, Gent., c. 1680. Gu., on a chevron Arg., 3 crosslets Sab., on a chief Or., a lion passant Gu.

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## KING JAMES AT FORDHAM.

"When his Majesty was at Newmarket, he chanced to be coursing at a certain village, called, if it dwelleth in my memory, Fordham, not far therefrom; and he did kill four hares in one field, in the which he sat down to refresh himself; and while he was dining, cometh the curate with a great concourse of people, and craveth leave that he might note the matter down in the parish register, as worthy to be had in remembrance: seeing, said he, that any the least action of so puissant a prince deserveth eternal memory: and also, that the field where his Majesty then sat, should be called the King's field for ever. Unto both which petitions, his Majesty did very graciously assent."

The above is taken from Neale's *Shepperton Manor*, and in a note is added, "this entry is still to be seen in the parish register of Fordham church." If so, I think it would be a sufficient curiosity to deserve a transcription into the *East Anglian*.—F. S. GROWSE, *Bildeston*.

## MONUMENTAL INSCRIPTIONS (p. 367).

Among the MSS. of the Reverend Alfred Suckling, the historian of Suffolk (now in the British Museum), we find the latest and best collections for Norfolk. I may observe that they contain church-notes from various counties, and are full of well-executed drawings of tombs, arms, and other antiquities. I do not think that I praise them too highly, when I say that they are unequalled by any other volumes of a like kind.

The following are the churches in Norfolk, from which inscriptions have been copied:—

Aldeby .. ..	Add. MS.	18,477	Maltby .. ..	Add. MS.	18,477
Bedingham ..	"	18,476	Mundham ..	"	18,479
Broome .. ..	"	18,480	Morningthorpe ..	"	18,476
Brooke .. ..	"	18,481	Raveningham ..	"	18,477
Bergh-Apton ..	"	18,482	Surlingham ..	"	"
Chedgrave ..	"	18,477	Stockton .. ..	"	"
Ditchingham ..	"	18,476	Stratton St. Michael	"	18,479
Ellingham ..	"	18,477	Shelton .. ..	"	18,481
Frense .. ..	"	"	Saxlingham ..	"	"
Fersfield ..	"	18,481	Topcroft .. ..	"	18,476
Gillingham ..	"	18,477	Thwaite .. ..	"	18,479
Hardley .. ..	"	"	Toft Monks ..	"	18,477
Hethersett ..	"	"	Taseburgh ..	"	"
Hedenham ..	"	18,481	Trowse-Newton ..	"	18,482
Haddiscoe ..	"	18,482	Woodton <sup>b</sup> .. ..	"	18,480
Horning .. ..	"	18,479	Norwich, St. Lawrence	"	18,476
Ingham .. ..	"	18,476	" St. John, Madders	"	"
Ketteringham ..	"	18,477	market .. ..	"	18,482

For Cranwich and Bodney, see Index Vol., Add. MS., 18,491.

Add. MS. 8,844, contains a few scattered inscriptions relative to Norfolk.

<sup>a</sup> Very few for this church.

<sup>b</sup> A mass of monumental and other informa-

tion relative to the Suckling family under this parish. See also, Add. MS., 18,497.

Martin's *History of Thetford*, 1779, contains monuments from the churches in that place. Mackerell's *History of Lynn Regis*, gives a very full collection from St. Margaret, St. Nicholas, and All Saints Churches in Lynn. Inscriptions from the Dutch Church, and St. Clement's Norwich, Thurlton, Bacton, Hardley, and Norton Subcourse, will be found in the *East Anglian*, pp. 91, 208, 151 and 301, 328, 234, and 301.

I shall next state the materials we have for the county of Essex. I begin with the manuscript notes, because, as far as they go, they appear to be most complete. Under each MS. are arranged its contents in alphabetical order. The first five are in the handwriting of the Rev. Alfred Suckling.

Add. MS. 18,476.

Bradfield

Add. MS. 18,479

Danbury

Great Horkealey

Little Horkealey

Langham

Widford

Add. MS. 18,482

Dovercourt

Lawford

Wix

Wrabness

Add. MS. 18,488

Great Burstead

Great and Little Braxted

Inworth

Laver Marney

Messing

Writtle

Add. MS. 18,486

Butsaby

Boreham

Blackmore

Fryerning

Fild

Greensted

Hatton

Ingatestone

Margareting

Mountnessing

North Ockendon

Runwell

Springfield

Stock

Stondon Massey

Upminster

Willinghale Spain

Willinghale Dou

Harl. MS., 6762, St. Mary, All Saint's, St. Nicholas, and St. Peter, in Colchester. Harl. MS. 6121, St. Giles, Colchester. Lansdowne MS. 874 (By Nicholas Charles, Lancaster Herald), East Ham, St. Nicholas, Harwich, Woodford, and Writtle.

Little as there appears to be in manuscript, in printed works we find perhaps less. Morant's *Essex* contains almost nothing. Tindal's *History of Essex* only reached a second part, which is much to be regretted, as it bid fair to give us a complete series of inscriptions. The places to which it extends, are Felsted, Pantfield, Braintree, Little Rayne, and Stebbing. Parson's *Monuments of Kent*, gives those at Dedham. Ogbourne's *Essex* is worth consulting, though but a small portion of the work was published. Lysons's *Environs of London*, vol. 4; Muilman's *History of Essex*, which gives many epitaphs; Salmon's *History of Essex*, Gough's *History of Pleshy*, and Farmer's *Waltham Abbey*, complete the list of printed authorities. I must not, however, omit to add that the *East Anglian* has Bradwell, Wicken Bonant, and Ashdon.

We now come to Cambridgeshire, which seems to have fared better than the latter county. First on the list stands *Collectanea Cantabrigiensia*, by Francis Blomefield, the well known Historian of Norfolk; containing "the Monumental Inscriptious in all the chapels of the several Colleges, and Parish Churches in the town, and several others in the County, &c." They are arranged as follows:—

Cherry-Hinton

Barton

Girton

Little Shelford

Toft

Hardwick

Kingston

Longstow

Bourne

Caxton

Stretham

Impington

Chesterton

Coton

Caldecote

Bottisham

Fulbourn

Here follow inscriptions from the Churches and College Chapels in Cambridge\* :—

Barnwell	Taversham
Steres Brugge, or Sturbrige (no inscriptions)	West Wickham
Milton	Mepole (i. e. Mepal)
Swaffham Prior	Chippenham
" Bulbeck	Sutton
" St. Cyriac	Balsham

Here several pages of Addenda, and then Quy, Fordham, Cheveley (no inscriptions), Leverington, and Wisbeach.

Later collections for the latter place, will be found in Watson's *History of Wisbeach*. For Horseheath, see *Collectanea Topographica et Genealogica*, vol. iv, p. 33. Lysons's *Magna Brit. for Cambridgeshire*, may afford some information. See also *Bentham's Ely Cathedral*.

The MSS. of Suckling, Cole, and J. Clement, furnish us with notes for

St. Peter's Church, Cambridge. Add. MS., 18,481.

Trinity Hall Chapel, Great Shelford, Trumpington. Add. MS. 18,476.

Chatteris and Ely. Add. MS., 18,478.

Whitelsea St. Mary. Add. MS., 11,425.

St. Andrew

Christ's Coll. Chapel, Quy, and Sawston. Harl. MS., 5,832.

Oakington, Harl. MS., 6,121, and also the following churches in Cambridge; St. Mary, St. Michael, St. Bennet, St. Botolph, St. Edward, Trinity, and the College Chapels of Queens, Jesus, and Kings.

A MS. in the University Library, Cambridge, marked *History of Churches, Cambridgeshire*, has inscriptions from

Abington Magna	Castle Camps	Horningssea, St. John
" Parva	Shudy Camps	Linton
Halsham	Chesterton	Milton
Barnwell	Ditton	Shengey
Barton	Gamlingay	Whaddon
Bartlow	Hawkeston	West Wickham
Boxworth	Hildersham	Wisbeach
Burgh ( <i>alias</i> Borough Green)	Histon	Stow cum Quy
Botaham	Horseth	

(To be concluded in November.)

#### LEMON'S ETYMOLOGICAL DICTIONARY.

No answer has yet been given to the query which appeared in the *East Anglian* in February last. The story is to be found in the "Clubs of London," vol. ii, p. 213 (London, 1828). It is there stated that Lemon, who preceded Dr. Parr as head master of the Norwich Grammar School, when soliciting subscriptions to his Etymological Dictionary, being offended at meeting with a refusal from one of the aldermen named Beazeley, took his revenge by introducing his name under the word *beastly*;—thus "BEASTLY:—a corruption of BEAZELEY: anything fat, gross, or nasty."

\* See Index to the Baker MSS. for St. Mary the Less.

The writer refers to an article entitled, "Parriana," in the *New Monthly Magazine*, as his authority, but the story is there told very differently (1826, part II, p. 513); Dr. Parr himself being made to say "a fat corpulent alderman of Norwich, of the name of Beazely, refused to subscribe when Lemon brought him his proposals; so Sir, Old Barnabas had him in Dictionary, thus, in a string of pretended derivations, under the word *Obesity* or *Oh Beastly*; a natural exclamation when we see old Beazely." Lemon's Dictionary is full of the most whimsical derivations, but your readers who do not know the book, may be assured that one of the above versions of the story, is quite as good and as true as the other. Marsh, the author of the "Clubs of London," evidently related it from memory, from anonymous "Parriana," in the *New Monthly Magazine*, giving his own version. It is equally evident, that neither writer had taken the trouble to look into Lemon's Dictionary, where, I need scarcely add, that not a vestige of anything of the kind is to be found. Who was the originator of this story I cannot tell, but I cannot believe it possible that Parr can have related it in the words attributed to him in the *New Monthly Magazine*, where he is made to say that his predecessor was *Barnabas Lemon*, whereas the said Barnabas was himself an alderman, who was still living within the memory of many of your readers; and it is too absurd to imagine that Dr. Parr, who held his appointment from the Court of Aldermen, can have made such a blunder as to confound *Alderman Barnabas Lemon* with the *Reverend George Lemon*, master of the Grammar School.—Q.

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EXTRACTS FROM PARISH REGISTERS.—NO. 6.

*St. John Maddermarket, Norwich.*

1648. Hellen More, a maid almost a hundred years old, buried 14 of November, Anno dni. 1648.

1650. Richard Potter, son of John Potter, & Tilneyes apprentice, kild at ye Guild by a stone of the wall, buried the twentie daye of June, 1650.

Francis Roberts, maior at armes, buried the 5th daie of Januarie, 1650.

1657. Richard Thweger, prison' executed, buried 7 of April, 1657.

1657. Elizabeth Stinnet, the wife of William Stinnet, minister, a wise, prudent, loving, and peaceable wife, departed this life the 1st of August, anno dni. 1657, being Lammass daie, and now my deere wife dwells in heaven, she was buried the 4 daie of the aforesaid monyth.

1659. Mrs. Marie Barnham Aldresse, wife of William Barnham, Justice of the peace, was buried at St. Peter's of Hungate, Maie the twenty third, being Whitsun Monday, anno dni. 1659.

1666. Between the 28 of July and 10 of February, 55 people died of the plague in this parish.

1670. Diana Cammell was executed and buried Aug. 29, 70.

18 Sep. Anno dni. 1653. Wee the parishioners of St. John's, of Maddermarket, have chosen Mr. William Stinnet, our parish Regester, the daie and yeare above written, according to an act of Parliament in this behalf made. In witness, &c.

Twentieth October, 1653. Memorandum that the daie and yeare above written, William Stinnet, minister of the Church of St. John's of Maddermarket, being chosen by the parishioners before, to be the Parish Register, to record marriages, birthes, and burials, tooke his oath before the right worshipful master, WM. BARNEHAM.



## OLD WILLS.—NO. III.

*William Toller, of Downham, Suffolk, 1503.*

The original probate is in possession of Mr. T. G. Bayfield, Norwich. A fragment only of the official seal remains.

In the name off god, Amen. The ixth day off the monyth off Decembyr, In the yer off our Lord god m.cccccciii, I Wyll'm Toller, off Downham, beyng in holl mynde, lawd and preysyng be to my sauour, make my testament, conteynyng my my last wyll in thys wyse. ffyrst, I beqweth my sowll to allmyghty god, and to our lady Seynt Mary, and to all Seyntys and holy compeny off heuyn; my body to be buryd yn the church off our Lady in Downh'm, befor the chauncell door. Itm, I beqweth to the hygh awtyr off the same church for my tythys and offeryngs sfforgety'n, ijs. Itm, I beqweth to the rep'aschion off Downh'm church 5 marks. Itm, I wull that an onest preest syng and pray ffor my soull and all my good ffrendys soullys in the sayd church off Downh'm, by the space off a holl yer, to whom I beqweth ffor hys labur viij mares, and I wull yt S' Thomas Martyn, chanon off Bromehyll, haue the sayd s'uyce, yff yt please hym to haue yt. Itm, I beqweth to Margaret my wyff, all my stuff off houshold except a brasse potte of a gal'on & di. and a brasse panne off iiij gal'ons, whych potte and panne I geue Reynolds Toller, my son. Itm, I beqweth to the sayd Margaret my wyff, iij mylche neett off the best, & iij steerys off the best, xl Ewys, xx wethyrs, xx hoggs, iij off my best horse, my carte, wt my carte harnes, a sowe, vij pyggs, and a gylt' Swyn, and all my lardyr (?) yt Ded, all my corne yn the berne, and halff my cropps in the felds yt schall growe thys yer, sche to paye schepperds met, corne, & hyre, and fede to ye folds ffor all the holl londe. Itm, I beqweth to my seyde wyff, all my houses and londes, and medows, ly yng in Wangfforth, terme off her lyff, and after her dysseces I wull yt yt be sold be myn executrs, and wt the mony theroff comyng, I wull haue a prest to pray ffor me in the church off Downh'm as long tyme as ye mony wull fynde hym. Itm, I beqwethe to ye same Margaret my wyff, my mese in downh'm, called Taylers, to geue and to selle. Itm, I beqwethe to Joffrey Reve, xx schepe and a nete boloke. Itm, to ev'y off my godchyldeyr a ew schepe. Itm, to Reynold Toller my Son, xx ew schepe. Itm, I requyr my cofeys that ben infeffyd in my house & londes that they delyu' a state accordyng to thys my last wyll whanne soo euu' they be lawfully requyred. The resydew off all my goods nott geuyn nor beqwethed, I putt them to the dysposysyon off myn executrs whom I ordeyn and make, Reynold Toller my son, & Robard Toller, off Wangfforth, my ffeythfull executurs, they to brynge my body onestly to ye erth, pay my detts, and ffylfyll thys my last wyll, and I beqweth to eythyr of them ffor ther labur xx schepe. In wytnes weroff I haue sette my seale. Thes beyng wytnes, Thomas Ieme, Joffrey Reve, & wyll'm Cowp'.

Proved before the official of the Archdeacon of Sudbury, the 18th of December, 1503, in the parish church of Fornham St. Martin.

EXTRACTS FROM THE VISITATION BOOK OF THE BISHOP OF NORWICH, 1597.

*Arch. Norff. Dec. Hingham. 23 Nov., 1597.*

## DEPHAM.

Con. Thomam Amyas, gen'osis, he hath not receaued the Co'ion many yeares past, and absenteth himself sondrey tymes from devine service. He receaued of the Lo. cheef Justice Wraye and Judge Anderson xviiiij. to the use of the poore, according to the statute of recusants and neu' made any accompt of the same.

Reservata pena in 8 Dec.

Con. s'franciscam eius vx, pro eodem, vist for not receauinge the Co'ion, nor frequent-  
ing hir church. (Sil'r).

Con. s'franciscu' eius filiu', he hath not receaued the Co'ion many yeares past. (Sil'r).

Con. Joh'em Amyas, pro eod'. (Sil'r).

Con. Arthuru' Amies, pro eod'. (Sil'r).

Con. Thomam Cooper et Wm. Beale, gard, the forfeiture of xijd. for absence from church, hath not bene leuiud.

They appeared and objected "that they were not churchwardens at the tyme of the visitac'on," &c.; and it appears that their names were struck out, and those of John Bidwell and Robert Cocke substituted. The forfeiture of xijd. was under the I Eliz. cap. 2, which enacted amongst other things, that "every person not repairing to his parish church, or some other church every Sunday and Holiday, shall incur the censures of the church, and forfeit 12 pence." ("The Penal Laws." London, 1723.)

To the presentment against Thomas Amyas is appended in Latin, a very badly written note, the tenor of which seems to be, that on the 12th January, 1597, Mr. Thomas Amyas appeared before the official, admitted having received the said sum of £18, and exhibited an account, shewing how it had been spent. Of this Account, the following is a transcript:—

Jesus,<sup>a</sup> 1584.

Thomas Cooper, Robt. Walter, Churchwardens.

There Accompt, made the xixth of October, 1584, Ao xxvj, El. at wyche tyme J yielded my Accompt ffor the Towne house of xxxij fote longe, and xvj fote brode wth A double Chymney.

The Accompt and Rekenyng of Thomas Amyas and Thomas Cooper, of Deph'm, ffor xviiiij by them Receyved ffor the poore of the sayd Towne, to be by thaire dyscrecion Employed; and Receyved ffrom the Justyce of Assyse At Thetford, the fyrst day of Apryll, in the xxvjth yere of the Raygne of ower sou'aigne lady queane Elyzabeth, as the thyrd part of the yerely Revenewe of Vmfrey bedyngfeld, esquyre, Recusant on the Statute of Ao xxij. El. ffor not comyng to Churche.

fyrst, dystributed and gyven to & Amonge fyve score poore p'sons, one and other wythin the sayd Towne, the fyfte of Apryll then folow-  
yng.

Item. to dyvers of them havyng moost neade, the xxvjth of Apryll and iijjth of July following

To Thomas Elmyn, Thomas benye, two sarvants and other worke-  
men, Carpyntars, makyng of one neadefull towne-howse, conteynyng  
xxij fote longe, wyth dubble chymneys by the space of lxx dayes, in  
All at vjd. the day one and other

ffor theyre dyett and bourde the sayd dayes, at vjd. the daye

xxviij. ijd.

vij. iiijd.

xxxv.

xxxv.

<sup>a</sup> I have seen a MS. (of about the middle of the 16th century) of several hundred leaves,

at the top of each of which was written the contracted form of the holy name of Jesus,

ffor xxx Cupple of Asshen sparres, bowght At ffunnell (Fundenhall)		
wood, and for the Caryage of them by John Newman ffrom thence	xxx.	
ffor the Rest of the Tymber and Wood to the sayd howse, in all,	iiij <i>s</i> .	
besyde doores and Wyndowes	v <i>s</i> .	viiij <i>d</i> .
ffor Caryage of the same to the place to be Rayseed		
To the Carpyntars and other laborers Raysyng the same house, with	v <i>s</i> .	viiij <i>d</i> .
meate and dryncke		xij <i>d</i> .
ffor Stubbyng the grownde wheare the howse standyth		
To two Claymen dawbyng the same, and dubble Chymney, splentyng	xxvi <i>s</i> .	vd.
and Remmyng the same by the greate		
ffor splenttes to the same, fetchyd ffrom Skoulton at seu'all tymes,	xxx.	
and of burrowes and caryage	ij <i>s</i> .	vj <i>d</i> .
ffor hempe to the same,	ij <i>s</i> .	vj <i>d</i> .
ffor barley strawe to the same, and caryage and splentts	iii <i>s</i> .	vj <i>d</i> .
ffor vij faddome of Rede, and caryage ffrom Norwyche for fleykyng	xxx.	iiiij <i>d</i> .
To Scott ffor Thatchyng the Ruffe by the greate, in all	xlvi <i>s</i> .	viiij <i>d</i> .
ffor viij lodes of strawe end and other At seu'all tymes, and caryage	ij <i>s</i> .	
ffor brochys and byndyngs to the same		
ffor bourdes and other necessaryes to the doores and wyndowes there	xs.	
and.....	ij <i>s</i> .	vj <i>d</i> .
To the woorker man Abought the same		xviij <i>d</i> .
ffor two payer hookes and henges to the doores		xij <i>d</i> .
ffor two lockes, keyes and staples to the same	xviij <i>s</i> .	xxiiij <i>d</i> .
The hole some of thys Reckenyng counts to		

*Endorsed*, "An Accompt for the poore and towne house," at the foot of 4th page,  
 "Jo Amyas et Jo Wright, Collectors for the poore of Deph'm."

It will be noticed that the £18 is stated to be the *third part* of Humphrey Bedingsfield's yearly revenue, and to be forfeited on the statute of *xxiii Eliz.* for not coming to church. Upon reference to this act, which is entitled "an Act to retain the Queen's Majesty's Subjects in their due obedience;" it appears that the forfeiture for not repairing to church was, upon conviction, £20 a month. These forfeitures were to be divided into three equal parts, one third to the Queen for her own use, another third to the Queen for the Relief of the Poor of the Parish, where the offence was committed, and the other third to the Informer. May we suppose that Humphrey Bedingsfield had compounded for his absence from church by the payment of a third of his income, or is it possible that there may be some mistake in the wording of the heading?—*EXTRANEUS*.

#### LONGEVITY IN EAST ANGLIA.

In the church-yard of Ixworth, Suffolk, on the north side, is a head stone in memory of Philip Pilbrow, who died June 18th, 1750, aged 101, with the following lines thereon:

"There are but few that do my years exceed,  
 I to the last, the smallest print could read;  
 I ne'er was Blooded, nor did Physic try,  
 God gave me health to Live, to him I die."

a 3 from Burrowes, a village about as far from Deopham as Skoulton is.

## EXTRACTS FROM CHURCHWARDENS' BOOKS (p. 375).

You have few correspondents whose communications interest me more than Mr. Baker's, and I hope he will continue to forward you extracts from the Bungay town books.

"*Sir Prewett, Priest of Norwich*," mentioned in 1525, was doubtless Sir Stephen Prowett, who in 1534 was paid 12<sup>d</sup> by the Grocers' Company of Norwich, "for making of a newe ballet."<sup>a</sup>

*Richard Elys*.—The Richard Elys whose obit is mentioned in 1536, was not the Sir Elys of Mundham, whose name at length was Sir Elys Bold, and whose will dated 23rd October, was proved 12th November, 1533.

*Pass-penny*.—With regard to "*ye payesse peny*," will Mr. Baker excuse my asking him if he is *quite* sure that it is "*payesse*." I ask this because I have met with "*masse penny*" in an old will. I do not see how one could well be read for the other, but the two words are somewhat alike, and I know from experience how easy it is to make a mistake in transcribing.—EXTRANEUS.

*Family of Inglott* (p. 378).—William Inglott, who died organist of Norwich Cathedral in 1621, may have been the son of Edmond Inglot, who occurs in 2nd of Elizth. as master of the singing children. In the "Cesement of the first Subsydy for our Sou'aygn lady Quene Elisabeth, grauntyd in the parliament ended in the 9th yere" of her reign, he is taxed at £5 in lands, & xl. xvijs. vjd. in goods. He was then living in the Precinct.—A.

*Witchcraft*.—In the 3rd vol. of the *Proceedings of the Suffolk Institute of Archaeology*, p. 309, it is stated that a poor unfortunate witch so late as 1795, "went through the usual sufferings in a pond close to the churchyard of Stanningfield." I am told the ordeal of water took place at the pond on the green called "Hoggage Green" (why so called?); that the name of the witch was "Greygoose"; and that she had "six imps—Silcock, Wisky, Turntail, Toby, Tarran and Tegg."—BURIENSIS.

## QUERIES.

*Thomas Muriel*, M.A., Archdeacon of Norfolk, A. D. 1621, Vicar of Soham, Cambridgeshire, and Rector of Hildersham, died October, 1629. Any information concerning his will, or of any of his immediate descendants, will greatly oblige—E. M. M.

*William Doggett*.—In the church of Boxford, Suffolk, is an altar tomb, to "William Doggett, marchant adve'terer, citizen and mercer of London," who died Oct. 10th, 1610.—Is anything known of this William Doggett? was he an ancestor of the well-known founder of the "Coat and Badge," annually rowed for on the Thames by watermen's apprentices, just out of their time.—L.

<sup>a</sup> See an interesting paper by R. Fitch, Esq., in the 5th vol. of "Norfolk Archaeology."